

May 13, 2022

Honorable Nancy Skinner, Chair
Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee

Attention: Joe Stephenshaw, Staff Director

Honorable Phil Ting, Chair
Assembly Budget Committee

Attention: Christian Griffith, Chief Consultant

Amendment to Budget Bill Item 4560-001-3085, State Operations and Item 4560-101-3085, Local Assistance, and Addition of Item 4560-001-3085, State Operations, Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission

Amendment to Budget Bill Item 4560-001-3085, State Operations

Augmentation to the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission Advocacy Funding:
\$670,000 (MHSF ongoing) for Immigrant and Refugees stakeholder advocacy, \$670,000 (MHSF ongoing) for children and youth stakeholder advocacy, and \$126,000 for 1 PY (Health Program Specialist I).

Amendment to Budget Bill Item 4560-101-3085, Local Assistance

Modification to the Investment in Mental Health Wellness Act of 2013 Part 3.8 (commencing with Section 5848.5) Division 5 of the Welfare and Institutions Code 5848.5: The Commission is requesting Trailer Bill Language that will enable the Commission to amend the Investment in Mental Health Wellness Act of 2013/Senate Bill 82.

Addition of Item: 4560-001-3085 – State Operations

California Behavioral Health Outcomes Fellowship for Transformational Change: \$5 million in one-time funds from the Mental Health Services Fund to establish a behavioral health fellowship designed to drive transformational change and reduce racial, ethnic and cultural disparities in mental health outcomes.

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Peers in California State Government: \$400,000 (one-time MHSF), \$350,000 for 2 PY's (SSM II - 1 AGPA - 1) and trailer bill language to establish a leadership role for mental health peers in California state government.

Commission's Legislative Activities: \$305,000 (MHSF) for 1 permanent Career Executive Assignment (Deputy Director of Legislative Affairs).

If you have any questions or need additional information regarding this matter, please call Norma Pate, Deputy Director, at (916) 500-0577.

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